IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Yabuta et al. § Group Art Unit: 3625

Serial No.: 09/900,265 § Examiner: Fadok, Mark A.

For: Method and System for Performing Commodity Purchasing

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NOTICE OF APPEAL

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the office action dated May 9, 2006 finally rejecting claims 6-17.

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